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OHIO LEADS STATES IN LIME PRODUCTION

Ohio leads all other states in the production of lime, both as to tonnage and value, the Department of Commerce at Washington says in a compilation of 1924 sales just made available. Producers in Ohio last year sold 934,407 short tons of lime, valued at \$9,511,270.

Lime sold by Ohio producers for building and construction purposes reached a tonnage of 671,510, at a market price of \$6,891,769. For agricultural purposes, 19,686 short tons were sold by Ohio producers for \$134,943. Chemical lime was sold by Ohio producers for \$2,484,558, for 243,211 short tons.

The nearest competitors to Ohio's 671,510 tons for building purposes was Pennsylvania with 288,899 tons. Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia exceeded Ohio in the amount of lime sold for chemical uses.

Sales of lime by manufacturers in the United States in 1924 amounted to 4,072,000 short tons, valued at \$30,596,423, f.o.b. kilns, the report shows. The average value per ton at the kilns in 1924 was \$9.72, compared with \$9.81 in 1923.

Although lime is manufactured in forty of the States and in the territories of Hawaii and Porto Rico, over 98 per cent of the production comes from twenty-two states.
